

**441—98.3(252E) Establishing medical support.** In cases for which services are provided by the child support recovery unit, the unit shall seek medical support for persons receiving Medicaid benefits whose support is assigned and shall seek medical support upon the request of nonpublic assistance recipients, as follows:

**98.3(1) *New or modified orders.*** In new or modified court or administrative orders for support, unless the obligee and child have a health benefit plan other than Medicaid that is available at a reasonable cost, the child support recovery unit shall request through a petition or notice of support debt that the obligor provide an employment-related or other group health benefit plan whether or not:

- a.* It is available to the obligor at the time the order is entered.
- b.* Modification of current coverage to include the dependents in question is immediately possible.

**98.3(2) *Existing orders.*** The child support recovery unit may:

*a.* Seek to modify or adjust an order for medical support through administrative process pursuant to 441—Chapter 99.

*b.* Petition for a modification of a support order when a high potential for obtaining medical support exists and employment-related or other group health insurance is available.

**98.3(3) *Other provisions.*** Provisions for medical support through an individual health benefit plan, a plan provided pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 514E, or through a monetary amount in lieu of the health benefit plan shall not be specifically requested by the child support recovery unit until rules governing the establishment of these provisions are adopted. However, the child support recovery unit may ask the court to consider, and the court may choose to order these provisions.